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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6477

BILL NUMBER: HB 1123

DATE PREPARED: Feb 1, 2001

BILL AMENDED: Jan 31, 2001

SUBJECT: Licensure of Foreign Licensed Dentists.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X **GENERAL**
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IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill allows the State Board of Dentistry to issue a license to an applicant who: (1) is licensed in a foreign country; (2) has practiced dentistry for at least five years; (3) passed certain examinations; (4) completed a post-graduate program; and (5) meets any other non-educational dentistry requirements. The bill requires the Indiana University School of Dentistry to offer a post-graduate program.

Effective Date: July 1, 2001.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) As amended, the bill requires the Indiana University School of Dentistry to offer a two-year post-graduate program to dentists who have been trained in a foreign country. It is estimated the expenditures required to implement this provision would cost the University \$31,200 per prospective student per year. This estimate is roughly the equivalent of a full-time DDS student at the University. The number of individuals who could immediately take advantage of the proposed program is believed to be very small. As a point of reference, if five individuals were enrolled in the required two-year program, the expenses required would be \$156,000. The expenses could be recouped through tuition and other fees assessed by Indiana University.

There may be some additional administrative cost to the Health Professions Bureau if an increase in licenses issued occur under this proposal. Any additional processing of licenses can be carried out with existing staff and resources.

Explanation of State Revenues: Any additional revenue gained from license fees by this legislation will be minimal.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Health Professions Bureau; Indiana State Board of Dentistry; Indiana University.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: Steve Keucher, Director, Indiana University Budget Office, (812) 855-9438.